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Ricardo H. Hinojosa
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1950
Education: Texas 1972 BA; Harvard 1975 JD
Began Service: May 21, 1983
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

Affiliation: Chair, United States Sentencing Commission**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Thomas M. Reavley, Texas Supreme Court (1975-1976)**Government:** Commissioner, United States Sentencing Commission**Legal Practice:** Associate and Partner, Ewers & Toothaker (1976-1983)**Staff**

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Lynn Nettleton Hughes
District Judge

Education: Alabama 1963 BA; Texas 1966 JD; Virginia 1992 LLM
Began Service: December 17, 1985
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

Academic: Adjunct Professor, South Texas College of Law (1973-2003); Advisor, European Community (1989); Chair, Board of Advisors, Houston Journal of International Law (1989-1999); Adjunct Professor, School of Law, University of Texas at Austin (1990-1991); Advisor, Republic of Moldova's Constitution (1993); Advisor, Romanian privatization (1997); Advisor, George Mason University (1999)**Judicial:** Judge, 165th Judicial District of Texas (1979-1980); Judge, 189th Judicial District of Texas (1981-1985)**Legal Practice:** Private Practice (1966-1972); Partner, Howard & Hughes (1973-1979)**Current Memberships:** The American Law Institute; American Society for Legal History; Council on Foreign Relations; State Bar of Texas**Staff**

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Kenneth M. Hoyt
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1948
Education: Texas Southern 1969 AB, 1972 JD
Began Service: April 1988
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan
Political Affiliation: Republican

Academic: Instructor, South Texas College of Law (1981-1982); Adjunct Professor, Thurgood Marshall School of Law, Texas Southern University (1983-1984)**Judicial:** Presiding Judge, Texas District Court, 125th Civil District (1981-1982); Justice, Texas Court of Appeals, First District (1985-1988)**Legal Practice:** Partner, Wickliff, King, Hoyt & Jones (1972-1975); Partner, Anderson, Hodge, Jones & Hoyt (1975-1979); Partner, Hoyt, Webster & Andrews (1979-1981); Private Practice (1983-1985)**Military Service:** United States Army (1972-1978)**Current Memberships:** National Bar Association; State Bar of Texas**Staff**

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**Sim Lake III**
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1944
Education: Texas A&M 1966 BA; Texas 1969 JD
Began Service: September 2, 1988
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

Affiliation: Member, Chambers of Member Sim Lake III, Judicial Conference of the United States**Legal Practice:** Associate, Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. (1969-1970); Partner, Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. (1972-1988)**Military Service:** United States Army (1970-1971)**Current Memberships:** The American Law Institute; Houston Bar Association; Houston Bar Foundation, Houston Bar Association; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas**Staff**

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Lee H. Rosenthal
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1952
Education: Chicago 1974 BA, 1977 JD
Began Service: 1992
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable John R. Brown, United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit (1977-1978)**Legal Practice:** Attorney, Baker Botts L.L.P. (1978-1992)**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; The American Inns of Court; The American Law Institute; Houston Bar Association; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas**Staff**

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Janis Graham Jack
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1946
Education: Baltimore 1974 BA; South Texas 1981 JD
Began Service: March 14, 1994
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

Government: Member, Board of Equalization, City of Corpus Christi, Texas**Legal Practice:** Private Practice (1981-1994)**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; Federal Judges Association; Fifth Circuit District Judges Association; Maritime Law Association of the United States; National Association of Women Judges; Philosophical Society of Texas; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas**Staff**

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Melinda Harmon
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1946
Education: Radcliffe 1969 AB; Texas 1972 JD
Began Service: 1989
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable John V. Singleton, Jr., United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas (1973-1975)**Judicial:** Judge, Texas District Court, 280th Judicial District, Civil Division (1988-1989)**Legal Practice:** Litigation Section, Exxon Company, United States of America (1975-1988)**Current Memberships:** Houston Bar Association; State Bar of Texas**Staff**

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John D. Rainey
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1945
Education: Southern Methodist 1967 BBA, 1972 JD
Began Service: May 28, 1990
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

Judicial: Judge, Texas District Court, 149th Judicial District (1987-1990)**Legal Practice:** Taylor, Mizell, Price, Corrigan & Smith (1973-1979); Partner, Gilbert, Gilbert & Rainey (1979-1982); Partner, Rainey & LeBoeuf (1982-1986)**Military Service:** United States Army (1969-1970)**Current Memberships:** State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas; Victoria County Bar Association**Staff**

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Chambers of District Judge Samuel B. Kent

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Samuel B. Kent
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1949
Education: Texas 1971 BA, 1975 JD
Began Service: October 1, 1990
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

Legal Practice: Attorney, Royston, Rayzor, Vickery & Williams, L.L.P. (1975-1990)**Staff**

Secretary **Donna Wilkerson** (713) 250-5530